

NEWS BRIEFS

AFSA

An Air Force Sergeants Association meeting is 11:30 a.m. today at the Cardinal Inn Dining Facility. Call Ext. 2025.

Assignment night

Specialized Undergraduate Pilot Training Class 02-12's assignment night is at 5 p.m. today at the Columbus Club.

Car Wash

Specialized Undergraduate Pilot Training Class 02-15's spouses are holding a car wash from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday at the base exchange to raise money for the class.

Change of command

Maj. Daniel Jenkins relinquishes command of the 14th Contracting Squadron to Maj. Cameron Holt during a change of command ceremony at 9 a.m. Monday at the Columbus Club.

Dorm dinner

Dorm dinner for dorm dwellers and single active-duty people is from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Thursday at the Independence Pool at the Columbus Club.

Main gate

The main gate entry control point has been moved back to the main gate entrance. Random searches and 100 percent identification checks will continue. Searches will be conducted in the gravel parking outside the main gate. As a reminder, all visitors and non-BLAZE card holders must still in-process at the visitor's center.

Thanks to everyone for their cooperation in getting proper decals and passes for their cars.

Mission Report

As of Wednesday

T-37	
Goal: 908	
Flown: 854	
T-1A	T-38
Goal: 669.0 hrs.	Goal: 497
Flown: 708.1 hrs.	Flown: 498



Staff Sergeant Raymond Hackler and Airmen 1st Class Grant Roberts and Jennifer Rossin, 14th Security Forces Squadron, sing the National Anthem. Photo graphic by Tech. Sgt. Jim Moser

Doug Stone, country music singer, sings one of his hit songs while playing the guitar.

Letting freedom ring at Go 4th

Tech Sgt. Jim Moser
Public Affairs

More than 23,000 people celebrated the nation's 226th birthday at Go 4th 2002 at Columbus AFB July 4.

"I couldn't have expected things to go any smoother than they did," said Maj. Johnny Barnes, Go 4th chairman. "The bands were exciting and enjoyable, the rain went around us, the food was great, there were no security or criminal concerns, the flyby was perfect and the fireworks were inspiring."

Go 4th kicked off at 4 p.m. with the singing of the National Anthem by Staff Sgt. Raymond Hackler and Airmen 1st Class Grant Roberts and Jennifer Rossin, 14th Security Forces Squadron, opening comments by Col. Tom Quelly, 14th Flying Training Wing commander, and a T-38 flyover by the 50th Flying Training Squadron.

For the next few hours the crowd was

treated to a variety of music from the bands "Bone Pony" and "24-7".

Rounding out the musical acts, country music star Doug Stone belted out some of his top-20 hits.

Sunlight was fading as Stone started his set, and he played for the crowd right up until the fireworks display.

The "Concert in the Sky" pyrotechnic show, with choreographed music, held the crowd in awe for more than 20 minutes.

"The fireworks were excellent," said Julie Hughes, from Huntsville, Ala. "They were the best I've ever seen."

As with any event of this size, week of planning and coordination went into the show.

"The base was kept safe all day and cleared in record time thanks to the incredible plan formulated and executed by Master Sgt. Patrick Bell and the Security Forces team," Barnes said. "Our Civil Engineers, led by Lee Blair, were a

sight to behold and absolutely made the show happen. Our Services squadron came through in so many ways, from raising money for the event to contracting such great bands and fireworks technicians."

Volunteers play a key role in any event but more so in large ones.

"The attitude and professionalism of 1st Lt. Ray Johnson and his team of volunteers especially impressed me," Barnes commented. "They really showed the BLAZE Spirit by giving up their off-duty time to represent the Air Force and Columbus AFB so well. Literally every organization on this base was involved and I was amazed to watch the team come together as it did and execute our plan."

"It's a great opportunity for the Air Force to show how much it cares for the community," said 2nd Lt. Raymond Kelly, 14th Communications Squadron. "It was a great success. I look forward to doing it next year."

'Penny War' supports AF Ball

2nd Lt. Joseph Coslett
Public affairs

The Company Grade Officer's Council is sponsoring a "penny war" July 9 to 19 at the sports and fitness center to lower the cost of the Air Force Ball to be held Sept. 21.

"The penny war will promote friendly squadron rivalry," said 2nd Lt. Ariol Paz, 14th Comptroller Flight.

According to 1st Lt. Tammy Davidson, CGOC president, the "penny war" rules of engagement are simple. "Basically adding pennies to a commander's jug helps them avoid a pie, while adding silver coins and bills helps them receive a pie in the face," she said.

The victor of the fund raiser will get to throw a pie in the face of the losing commander at the Air Force Ball.



Collection bottles are set up in the sports and fitness center representing the following commanders: Col. Kenneth Parsons, 14th Flying Training Wing vice commander; Col. Bryan Funke, 14th Medical Group; Lt. Col. Anthony Smith, 37th Flying Training Squadron; Lt. Col. Benjamin Cleveland, 50th FTS; Lt. Col. John Parks, 14th Medical Support Squadron; Lt. Col. Dawn Harl, 14th Medical Operations Squadron; Maj. Charles Shea, 14th Comptroller Flight; Maj. James Davis, 14th Mission Support Squadron and Maj. Leonard Grassley, 14th Security Forces Squadron.

"The penny war is a fund raiser to help pay for the cost of the Air Force Ball and lower ticket prices," Davidson said. "The theme for this year's ball is 'Back to our Roots' and has a 1940s motif."

Tickets for the Air Force Ball will be available through the CGOC.

Commissary awards scholarship

Airman Alexis Lloyd
Public affairs

The Defense Commissary Agency awarded a \$1,900 scholarship to a Mississippi University for Women student July 5 at the Columbus AFB Commissary.

Briana Stephan was one of 14 people who applied for the scholarship at Columbus AFB.

"I heard about the scholarship and went and picked up an application," Stephan said. "I was really hoping I would get it. When my mom told me I had gotten it, I couldn't believe it."

Every base commissary was eligible to give out at least one scholarship.

Applicants had to be a dependent of active-duty, reserve, Guard or retired, enrolled in an honor graduate program, accepted to a college and have maintained a 3.0 grade point average.

They also had to write an essay about how being a military dependent has affected their lives.

"The money sure is going to help out with the cost," said Ike Walker, commissary manager. "It seems tuition keeps going up."

Stephan is working towards a degree in psychology.

She is involved with the social club at the MUW. The social club raises money to help promote Touched by an Angel, a program for mentally disabled and handicapped children.

Columbus AFB Spotlight

Name: Airman Matrika Morgan, 14th Medical Group
Duty title: Information Manager
Time on station: 11 months
Time in service: 1 year and 3 months
Hometown: San Bernardino, Calif.
Previous bases: Keesler AFB, Miss.
Hobbies: Reading
Military activities/organizations: Volunteering for different activities on base.
Goals: Get my Community College of the Air Force degree as an Information Manager
Favorite quote: "Whomever makes himself great will be made humble. Whomever makes himself humble will be made great." Matthew 23:12



Amn Matrika Morgan,
14th Medical Group
Information Manager



Investigation findings released

KEESLER AIR FORCE BASE, Miss. — The Air Force Tuesday released a report of investigation into the death of Airman Stephen W. Fortune, citing the cause of death as a ruptured aortic aneurysm.

The investigation board determined the aneurysm was congenital and existed before Airman Fortune entered the Air Force.

Fortune died May 24, after he collapsed while negotiating an obstacle course during basic military training at Lackland Air Force Base, Texas.

The report was the result of an investigation directed by Maj. Gen. John F. Regni, 2nd Air Force commander at Keesler AFB, Miss. Colonel Robert Simmons, commander of the 982nd Training Group at Sheppard Air Force Base, Texas, was appointed to conduct the investigation. The investigation included interviews and statements from military training instructors, medical personnel and many of the trainees who participated in the run.

The investigation was directed to discover and document the facts surrounding Fortune's death.

"On behalf of the entire Air Force family, I offer my sincere sympathy to the family, friends and fellow trainees of Stephen Fortune," said Regni. "We lost a fine young airman." *(Courtesy of Air Force News)*

Sleep makes a difference

According to the National Sleep Foundation, only about one-third of American adults say they get at least the recommended eight hours or more of sleep per night during the week.

Most people do not see a lack of sleep as a safety issue, but since so many people commute to work, perhaps it is an issue worth discussing.

Possibly you do get the proper amount of sleep. However, since the NSF says about half of people interviewed reported that they have driven while drowsy.

According to the Spring 2002 edition of the Air Force Journal of Occupational, Recreational and Driving Safety, you might be sleepy if:

- ☐ Your eyes close or go out of focus
 - ☐ You have trouble keeping your head up
 - ☐ You cannot stop yawning
 - ☐ You have wandering, disconnected thoughts
 - ☐ You drift between lanes, tailgate or miss traffic signs
 - ☐ You keep jerking the car back into the lane
 - ☐ You have drifted off the road and narrowly missed crashes
- Chewing gum, rolling down your windows, and turning up highly annoying music will not save you. The average adult needs eight hours of sleep a night, but the average American sleeps only seven hours a night. Not only does it affect productivity, but it is unsafe on the road. Bottom line: get plenty of sleep. *(Courtesy of Air Force News)*

Wing commander puts on top enlisted rank

Tech. Sgt. Jim Moser
Public affairs

The Columbus AFB Chief's Group inducted Col. Tom Quelly, 14th Flying Training Wing commander, into their rank as an honorary chief master sergeant. during their monthly meeting July 2 at the Columbus Club.

“Colonel Quelly’s induction as honorary chief master sergeant was in recognition of his genuine concern of the enlisted force,” said Chief Master Sgt. Jim Roy, 14th FTW command chief master sergeant. “He has been the driving force to ensure the enlisted quality of life is nothing short of the best.”

“I was truly surprised by this,” Quelly said “It is a great honor to be recognized by a group of past and present enlisted leaders.”

At the ceremony, Quelly received chief’s stripes, took the chief’s oath and was hon-

ored with the Columbus AFB “Chief’s Stick”, which he was tasked to carry with him throughout the day.

“It was truly an honor to induct Colonel Quelly as an honorary Chief,” said Chief Master Sgt. Frank Booth, 14th FTW Manpower and Organization chief. “Having observed him the last two years, I can attest that he expended a considerable amount of time on improving conditions for our enlisted force.

“His sincere daily concern for enlisted well-being is what prompted the Chief’s Group to make him an honorary chief. Colonel Quelly’s focus is congruent to the values expressed within the Chief’s Creed.”

“I whole-heartedly supported his induction,” said retired Chief Master Sgt. Ike Walker. “He is a great supporter of our group and really takes the time to listen to what the chiefs and retired chiefs have to say. I think he would make a great chief.”



Tech. Sgt. Jim Moser

Col. Tom Quelly, 14th Flying Training Wing commander, recites the “Chiefs Oath” with Chief Master Sgt. Frank Booth, 14th FTW Manpower and Organization chief. Quelly was named an honorary chief July 2.

First African American General succumbs to Alzheimer’s

Tech. Sgt. Scott Elliott
Air Force Print News

WASHINGTON — Gen. Benjamin O. Davis Jr., the Air Force’s first black general, died July 4 at Walter Reed Army Medical Center of Alzheimer’s disease at age 89.

Davis was promoted to the rank of general after his retirement by President Bill Clinton on Dec. 9, 1998, is recognized for his role in breaking the color barriers in both the Army and Air Force. He will be buried at Arlington National Cemetery on Wednesday.

Born Dec. 18, 1912, in Washington, Davis was the son of an Army cavalry officer. At age 14, following a flight with a barnstorming pilot at Bolling Field, he decided he wanted to fly.

Davis did not believe active protest was the way to defeat segregation. Called to testify before a board of gener-

al officers to determine the best use of blacks in the U.S. military, Davis attacked segregation and its inherent inefficiency. The men under his command, and blacks in general, he said, could have been used much more effectively in combat had they been assigned according to ability rather than by race.

As stirring as Davis’ testimony was, it was not his words that helped end segregation in the military, it was his performance.

Air Force leaders recognized that the men and units led by Davis in World War II served as capably as any line unit. Air Force Chief of Staff Gen. Hoyt Vandenberg announced the racial integration of the U.S. Air Force in April 1948, making it the first military branch to do so.

In the years following desegregation, Davis ultimately rose to the rank of lieutenant general, retiring from active duty Feb. 1, 1970.

America loses true air, space hero

George W. Bush
President

On July 4th, America lost a true hero when Gen. Benjamin Oliver Davis Jr. died at Walter Reed Medical Center in Washington, D.C. Throughout his career, Davis served the cause of freedom with distinction and dignity. He will be sorely missed. On behalf of a grateful nation, Laura and I send our condolences to the Davis family.

We will remember Davis most for his leadership of the legendary Tuskegee Airmen during World War II. The segregated African-American 332nd Fighter Group flew more than 15,000 sorties against the Nazi Luftwaffe, destroyed over 250 enemy aircraft and never lost a single Allied plane flying under its escort protection.

Davis’ leadership and the dazzling success of

his Tuskegee Airman contributed greatly to the victory over fascism abroad — and to important victories over discrimination here at home, especially the desegregation of the Armed Services ordered by President Truman in 1948.

The quiet courage, discipline, and high achievement of the Tuskegee Airmen simply mirrored the qualities that Benjamin Davis Jr. demonstrated throughout his career.

A graduate of West Point, he was a recipient of the Silver Star and Distinguished Flying Cross and was the first African American in the Air Force to earn a star.

His passing on the date of our nation’s independence underscores the independence and pride with which he served our nation’s highest ideals. Davis left our country better than he found it and his legacy will endure for as long as Americans seek to protect — and perfect — our Union.

Calif.; **Staff Sgt. George Couch**, 14th OSS, Osan AB, Korea, Vidalia, La.; **Staff Sgt. Marc Marrero**, 14th Medical Operations Squadron, Andersen AFB, Guam, Brentwood, N.Y.; **Staff Sgt. Erricka Rush**, 14th Contracting Squadron, TaeguS, Korea, Metropolis, Ill.; **Senior Airman Brandon Holda**, 14th OSS, Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio, Chicago, Ill.; **Drexel Harris**, 14th Logistics Division; **Ronney Shiver**, 14th LD

Lt. Robert Hardenstine, 14th OSS, San Antonio, Texas; **2nd Lt. Scott Snyder**, 14th OSS, Chicago, Ill.; **2nd Lt. Peter Yule**, 14th OSS, Boise, Idaho; **Master Sgt. Bruce Freed**, 14th Medical Group, Kadena AB, Japan, Fort Wayne, Ind.; **Master Sgt. Darrell Nope**, 14th MDG, Cannon AFB, N.M., Anchorage, Alaska; **Tech. Sgt. David Lowery**, 48th FTS, NAS Keflavik, Iceland, Hartselle, Ala.; **Staff Sgt. Jocelyn Bennett**, 14th Comptroller Flight, RAF Mildenhall, U.K., San Diego,

NEWCOMERS

Columbus AFB welcomes its newest military people listed by rank, name, gaining unit, previous assignment and hometown. Civilians are listed by name and gaining unit. The newcomers are:

Capt. David Higginbotham, 48th Flying Training Squadron, Tinker AFB, Okla., Montgomery, Ala.; **Capt. Charles McBroom**, 37th FTS, Seymour Johnson AFB, N.C., Fairview, Okla.; **2nd Lt. Cole Childers**, 14th Operations Support Squadron, Siloam Springs, Ark.; **2nd**

Freedom: ‘One nation under God, indivisible with liberty and justice for all’

Chap. (Lt. Col.) Joseph Motsay
14th FTW Wing Chaplain

Last week we celebrated the 226th anniversary of the founding of our nation.

In the aftermath of Sept. 11 many Americans are rediscovering the priceless heritage of freedom and have come to acknowledge that the United States of America is founded on a belief in God and that without God, it cannot stand.

In the Declaration of Independence, the charter which gave birth to this nation, it reads: “We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable rights, that among these is the right to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness.”

Therefore our American heritage is first and foremost respect for human rights and liberties.

From this arises a very basic question: Where do we get our rights and liberties to defend? They have a source. Where do we get the right of free speech? Where do we get freedom of conscience? Freedom of religion?



STRAIGHT TALK LINE

Airman Brandon Johnson, 14th Civil Engineer Squadron, shows Col. Tom Quelly, 14th Flying Training Wing commander, the new bunk rooms in the fire department. The department recently remodeled 16 rooms, which took about two months. The training room was also renovated, which took only one week. The department was using their dayroom-kitchen area as a training room.



Airman Alexis Lloyd

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In our nation’s capitol, gazing south from the Washington monument, across the Tidal Basin there lies in classic grandeur a circular colonnaded structure, the Jefferson Memorial.

Often the least visited, the Jefferson Memorial is in some ways the most impressive of our national monuments. A 19-foot-bronze statue of Thomas Jefferson, the chief framer of the Declaration of Independence, dominates the domed interior. On the marble walls of the memorial room are four panels with inscriptions from the writings of Jefferson describing the chief principles of his beliefs. Perhaps the most significant are the words on the northeast panel: “God who gave us life, gave us liberty.”

Can the liberties of a nation be secure when we have removed the conviction that these liberties which are the gifts from God?

Today, as in the past, we must stand united in our belief that freedom is not the fruit of political adeptness or even military power, but the gift of God — “God who gave us life, gave us liberty.” May our nation’s motto, “In God We Trust,” be not only words on a seal but words by which we all live.

Happy birthday America — and may God continue to shed His grace on thee.

The Straight Talk Line is your direct line to the commander for comments and suggestions on how to make Columbus AFB a better place.

Although the Straight Talk Line is always available, the best way to resolve problems is through the chain of command.

The Straight Talk Line phone number is 434-7058. Callers should leave their full name and phone number to receive an answer. All names will be kept confidential.

Messages may be answered in the Silver Wings without names.

Written questions may also be brought to the public affairs office in the wing headquarters building, Bldg. 724. Questions and answers will be edited for brevity.

Key phone numbers

Base Exchange.....	434-6013
Chaplain.....	434-2500
Civil Engineer Service Desk.....	434-2856
Civilian Personnel.....	434-2635
Clinic:	
Family Practice.....	434-2172
Appointment Desk.....	434-2273
After Hours Care.....	434-2273
Columbus Club.....	434-2489
Commissary.....	434-7106
Finance.....	434-2706
Housing Maintenance.....	434-7270
Inspector General.....	434-2927
Legal Office.....	434-7030
Military Equal Opportunity.....	434-2591
Security Forces.....	434-7129
Shoppette.....	434-6026

Advisor helps airmen make career choices

Columbus Air Force Base’s active-duty enlisted personnel now have another person to turn to for career direction with the creation of a new position — the wing career assistance advisor, or CAA.

“I’m a one-stop shop for information dealing with retention issues,” said Master Sgt. Victor Tennant, CAA for Columbus. “We don’t want people to separate for the wrong reasons. I talk to personnel about benefits and opportunities in the Air Force that they may not be aware of so they can make an educated decision about their future.”

The Air Force created 92 of the new positions in an effort to increase retention rates and help members realize the potential of their Air Force careers. Tennant, formerly of the 14th Services Division, assumed the position in June. Air Force officials expect the new initiative to increase the communication flow to and from every level of Air Force by establishing a CAA for Air Force bases.

According to Tennant, the CAA is the commanders’ advocate to help enlisted personnel understand the opportunities and benefits of an Air Force career. The free flow of information is expected to pay big dividends in making the Air Force a better place to work and live. The CAA also has a key role in the communication process working with the commanders, first sergeants and supervisors on retention issues.

“We don’t want to lose quality personnel,” Tennant said. “I work retention trends and issues to show personnel the advantages of staying in and sharing that experience with us. I ask personnel before they separate about their concerns and share those thoughts with the senior leadership to work initiatives to remedy those issues.”

As CAA, Tennant addresses concerns raised by all active-duty Air Force personnel on the installation, including all major commands.

Plans are underway to hold several workshops with Columbus’s enlisted force as forums for communication as well as to make the presence of his office known.

Tennant describes himself as the commander’s “retention guru,” but adds that his office is not related to the old career counselor positions. The one-on-one career counseling that the old base career counselor performed remains the job of the immediate supervisors with assistance from their first sergeants and commanders.

Tennant may answer questions that come up during a counseling session by the supervisor. The CAA can also hold feedback and career counseling workshops to train new supervisors so they are able to perform proper counseling with their airman.

One of his biggest challenges as CAA is to ensure active-duty members are briefed with the right information so they can make an educated decision when it comes time to re-enlist.

To facilitate this, first-, second-term and career airmen attend a “Informed

Decision” briefing that discusses Air Force pay and benefits, provides testimonies and discussions with senior staff.

Tennant will also have a website, and articles in the Columbus Silver Wing’s as ways to communicate updated information.

Staff assistance visits are performed annually on each unit to ensure proper feedback and career counseling is conducted appropriately.

The CAA will perform training, if needed, to assist supervisors in developing mentor programs and proper feedback channels that will not only enhance their troops’ performance, but also their Air Force careers.

Commanders will receive quarterly retention reports to monitor progress. The CAA position is not an inclusive “fix all” for retention, but rather an additive to the chain-of-command involvement needed to reach and maintain Air Force retention goals.

“It’s all about making a difference,” he said. “People are our most important resource. Let’s take the time to teach them well.”

(Courtesy of the Wing Career Assistance Advisor’s office)



Airman Alexis Lloyd Lauren Kelly listens to Andrew Pace, Columbus AFB Youth of the Year, explain a term from the dictionary at the youth center June 5.

Volunteer selected as CAFB Youth of the Year

Airman Alexis Lloyd
Public affairs

A 16 year old recently won Columbus AFB Youth of the Year.

Andrew Pace was chosen out of three other applicants.

“We picked him because of all his time he volunteers at the youth center and at the base chapel,” said Terri Graves, 14th Support Group. “He represented Columbus AFB well.”

Pace won a Pentagon trip to attend a ceremony recognizing all the winners from the Air Force. The winners were presented plaques by Lt. Gen. Joseph Wehrle Jr., assistant vice chief of staff headquarters Air Force.

Pace and the others toured the Pentagon and saw where the plane crashed on Sept. 11, the Smithsonian, Peace Park and walked the underground tunnels at the Capitol building.

“It was really cool hanging out with different people from all over the world,” Pace said.

To be considered for the honor, Pace had to put a package together.

He wrote essays on the importance of education and what the youth center meant to him. People from the different organizations he helped, wrote letters to recommend him.

“I volunteer to keep myself busy and out of trouble in my spare time,” Pace said. “I love working with kids.”

Pace has coached t-ball, spring soccer, indoor soccer, basketball, helps teach Sunday school and was “Chatter the Chipmunk” for the vacation bible school.

Pace plans to go to college and get a degree in law enforcement then join the Air Force.

“We’re very proud of him,” said his mother, Dawn Pace. “He’s always been a compassionate young man.”

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Columbus, MS 39705-1715
(662) 241-5811



Melanie Brown
Tramp from “Bone Pony” plays the mandolin.



Melanie Brown
Jay Woods and Ian Woods take advantage of the T-38 static display to check out what’s inside the cockpit.

Go 4th: Columbus AFB celebrates Fourth of July

Tech. Sgt. Jim Moser
Public Affairs

Music, food, fireworks and fun abounded at this year “Go 4th” Fourth of July celebration.

More than 21,000 people from all over the southeast came to Columbus AFB to enjoy freedom won for all Americans by those have gone before.

The bands “Bone Pony”, “24-7” and country music star Doug Stone provided musical entertainment.

Some of Columbus AFB’s own security forces team, Staff Sgt. Raymond Hackler, Airmen 1st Class Grant Roberts and Jennifer Rossin proved people don’t have to have a recording contract to be stars

with their stirring rendition of the National Anthem that helped launch the days activities.

As the day faded away, excitement was building for the “Concert in the Sky” fireworks display.

And was it worth the wait. The 20-minute show painted the night sky with vibrant colors synchronized to music.

As the smoke and people cleared the area, visitors to the base made it through the traffic and were on their way in record time.

The event went off with no security or medical problems and was declared a success thanks to good planning and cooperation. The indomitable American spirit was in the air.



Services: Check out what we have to offer

- ✓ **All-ranks bingo:** Bingo is at the community center at 5:30 p.m. Friday. Played are two \$25 games, two \$50 games and one \$500 progressive jackpot with a consolation prize of \$50 if the jackpot does not go in 60 numbers or less. Cost is \$1 for a 2-on-1 card for the \$25 games, \$1.50 for a 3-on-1 card for the \$50 games and \$1 for a single card for the jackpot game. Call Ext. 2489.
- ✓ **Enlisted lounge entertainment:** Disc jockey Kool Kleve entertains from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. today.
- ✓ **Pasta buffet:** The Columbus Club's Tuesday night buffet features all types of pasta with all the trimmings from 5 to 7:30 p.m. Price is \$7.95 for club members and \$10.95 for nonmembers. The pool will be open until 7:30 p.m. Call Ext. 2489
- ✓ **Sunday brunch:** The Columbus Club offers a Sunday brunch from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Sunday. Cost is \$10.95 for members and \$13.95 for nonmembers. Call Ext. 2489.
- ✓ **Casino trip:** The information, ticket and travel office offers a trip to the Silver Star Casino in Philadelphia, Miss., July 19. Cost is \$15 and includes transportation and \$15 in coin. The bus will leave the community center parking lot at 5:30 p.m. and return around 2 a.m. July 20.
- ✓ **Parents day out:** The youth center and child development center offer a parents day out from 9 a.m. to 3

- p.m. July 20. Cost is \$2.50 per hour per child. Register at least three days in advance. The child development center requires a \$5 nonrefundable deposit when registering. The "Give Parents a Break" program is also offered during the same dates and times as above. Children, ages 6 weeks to 12 years, are eligible to participate in the program. Any family with special circumstances such as a member TDY or remote, a special health condition or just an unusual situation may qualify for free care. Contact the family support center to receive a certificate for participation. Contact the appropriate activity for reservation after receiving the certificate.
- ✓ **After school registration:** The youth center is accepting applications for the after-school program starting in August. Fees are based on total family income. Please bring the family's leave and earnings statements and a copy of the child's shot record. Call Ext. 2504.
- ✓ **Piano lessons:** Register now for piano lessons slated to begin Aug. 7. Cost is \$30 per month and is open to ages 4 and older. Call the youth center at Ext. 2504.
- ✓ **Geyser Falls water theme park:** The information, ticket and travel office is offering a trip to this new water park located in Philadelphia, Miss., Aug. 24. Cost is \$28 per person and includes transportation and ticket to the park. Call Ext. 7858.

- ✓ **Professional football games:** The information, ticket and travel office is offering two trips to New Orleans, La. The first trip is Sept. 14 and 15 to watch the Green Bay Packers play the New Orleans Saints. Cost is \$110 per person and includes transportation, lodging (double occupancy), ticket to the game and shuttle service. A \$50 deposit is required at registration. The next trip is Oct. 4 to 6 to watch the Pittsburgh Steelers against the New Orleans Saints. Cost is \$160 per person and includes transportation, lodging (double occupancy), tickets to the game and shuttle service. A \$50 deposit is required at registration.
- ✓ **Library automated checkout system:** Stop by the library to register you and your family into the system to become a user. Call Ext. 2934.
- ✓ **Family child care providers needed:** If you live in base housing and are interested in providing child care in your home, call the family child care office at Ext. 2479. You must be licensed to provide child care in your home if the total is more than 10 hours a week for either one child or a combination of children.
- ✓ **Leisure travel:** The information, ticket and travel office located in outdoor recreation, offers leisure travel services for cruises, lodging, rental cars, airline tickets and more. Stop by or call Ext. 7858.

Columbus Club Lunch Buffet

Served from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.
Cost: \$4.95 for members and \$7.50 for nonmembers
Price includes vegetable of the day, salad and tea

Today
Fried Catfish
Popcorn Shrimp
Cherry Cobbler

Monday
Fried Chicken
Grilled Pork Chops
Peach Cobbler

Tuesday
Meat Loaf
Sweet & Sour Pork
Banana Pudding

Wednesday
Beef Tips w/Rice
Chicken Fajitas
Apple Cobbler

Thursday
Roast Pork Loin
Barbecue Brisket
Apple Dumplings

Don't forget to ask for your "Member Rewards" entry form to qualify to win an all-expense paid trip to Orlando, Fla. or a week's vacation at a resort of your choice from the Armed Forces Vacation Club. Contest ends July 31. Call Ext. 2489.

AT THE CHAPEL

Chapel schedule

Catholic

Sunday activities:

9 a.m. — Mass
5 p.m. — Confessions
5:30 p.m. — Mass

Wednesday

11:30 a.m. — Mass

Protestant

Sunday activities:

9 a.m. — Sunday school
10:45 a.m. — Protestant worship
1 p.m. — Contemporary worship
Wednesdays
5:30 p.m. — Video Bible study supper
7:15 p.m. — Choir rehearsal

Thursdays

11:30 a.m. — Lunch Bible study
For Islamic, Jewish, Orthodox or other services, call the chapel at Ext. 2500.

AT THE MOVIES

All movies are shown at 7 p.m., unless otherwise noted, at the base theater.

Today

"*The Sum of all Fears*" (PG-13, violence, brief strong language, 119 min.)
Starring: Ben Affleck and Morgan Freeman.

Saturday

"*Spirit: Stallion of the Cimarron*" (G, 82 min.)
Starring: Animated.

July 19

"*Devine Secrets of the Ya Ya Sisterhood*" (PG-13, Mature thematic elements, language, brief sensuality, 116 min.)
Starring: Sandara Bullock and Ellen Burstyn.

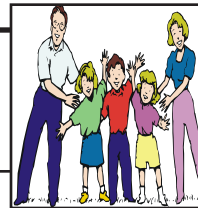
CHANNEL 64

BLAZE 64 offers announcements for people living in base housing or the dormitories.

Call 2nd Lt. Joseph Coslett for more information at Ext. 7065.

Weekdays
9 a.m., noon and 2 p.m.
Air Force Television News
Monday through June 28
9:30 a.m., 12:30 p.m. and 2:30 p.m.
College Level Examination Program: "Social Science"

FAMILY SUPPORT



(Editor's note: All activities are offered at the family support center unless otherwise specified. For more information, call Ext. 2790.)

Happy Landings: Information on the Columbus community is available to newcomers from 8 to 10 a.m. Wednesdays in the lodging facility lobby.

Remote/deployed brief: Military people who are going remote or being deployed must attend a mandatory brief offered at 9 a.m. Thursdays.

Moving information: A "moving survival kit" is available at the center. Offered are tips on getting the family prepared to relocate.

LIFE SKILLS SUPPORT



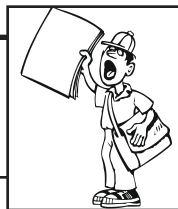
(Editor's note: All activities offered are at the life skills support office located on the second floor of the 14th Medical Group unless otherwise specified. For more information, call Ext. 2239.)

Infant care: A baby basics class is from 10 a.m. to noon Wednesday in room 124 of the clinic. This class offers infant-care issues such as how to change a diaper and how to swaddle and burp a baby.

Special needs: The Exceptional Family Member Program is designed to ensure service availability for active-duty family members with special needs.

The need must be identified at the current duty station or before a permanent change of station. The program assists families with relocation when a medical condition exists, helping them find resources on base and in the local community.

BASE NOTES



Officer education opportunities: Bullets for advanced education opportunities for officers through the National



Airman Alexis Lloyd

I've got my homer!

Kenny Harris, 14th Civil Engineer Squadron Team 1, gives his teammates high-5s after hitting a homerun in the first inning against DynCorp. CES 1 held off Dycorp for a 16-11 win in intramural softball action.

Reconnaissance Office are due to the NRO Tuesday and packages are due July 22. Call Ext. 7002.

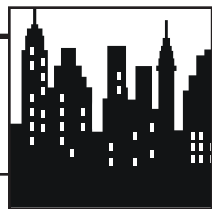
Change of command: Lt. Col. John Jackson III relinquishes command of 14th Operations Support Squadron to Lt. Col. David Eastman at 9 a.m. July 22 at the ceremonial plaza.

Basic Life Support: The 14th Medical Group sponsors a Basic Life Support Instructor Course Aug. 1 through Aug. 2. Instructor candidates must have a current BLS provider certification card, and those who don't have a card can take a BLS provider course a week before the instructor course. Call Anthony Cook at Ext. 2908.

Military liaison teams: Senior NCOs can apply for a position on a military liaison team at three overseas locations. Nominations are due Aug. 15 for Bosnia, Macedonia or Moldova. People interested can submit their applications to the relocations office of the military personnel flight, Bldg. 926. Call Ext. 3537.

AFSA fundraiser: Air Force Sergeants Association is having a Krispy Kreme fundraiser. The cost is \$3.50 a dozen and only glazed are available. Wednesday is the last day to put in an order, and they will be delivered July 19. See any AFSA member or call Ext. 2781 or 2025.

AROUND TOWN



Racing: Weekly racing series plus the mini-summer championship at the Columbus Speedway Saturday. Gates open at 5 p.m. and racing starts at 7 p.m. Grandstand admission is \$10 per person, and children under 10 are free when accompanied by an adult. Call (662) 241-5004.

Tenn-Tom Waterway: The U. S. Army Corps of Engineers offers outdoor recreation opportunities along the nearby Tennessee-Tombigbee Waterway, including seven campgrounds, boat ramps and picnic areas. The waterway also includes 8,900-acre Columbus Lake.

Two campgrounds (Dewayne Hayes and Town Creek), three picnic areas (Dewayne Hayes, Waverly and Stennis Lock East Bank), and four boat ramps are all located near Columbus AFB.

Maps are posted at bulletin boards located at all Corps boat ramps.

For more information call (662) 327-2142 or visit tenntom.sam.usace.army.mil.

Cosmic No Tap Bowling Tourney

Friday, July 19

Columbus AFB Bowling Center

6:45 p.m. sign up

7 p.m. games begin

It's regular no-tap format with a

SPIN!

You could win a DVD player, a Palm Pilot, a Game Boy or More! Gotta Play to Win! Call Ext. 2426 for more information.



Brad McDill

Waiting to audition

Anna Benham, Rachel Campagno and Shelbi Weaver wait to audition for "Cinderella." Columbus AFB youth and the Missoula Children's Theater will present "Cinderella" at 3 p.m. Saturday at the youth center. Admission is \$2 for 4-12 year olds and \$3 for children 12 and older. Call Ext. 2504.

Flag Tournament

The Flag Tournament starts at 8 a.m. Saturday at Whispering Pines Golf Course. Receive an American flag with your name on it when you enter. Your handicap will be added to the course par. When your last shot comes to rest, they will place a flag at that location and the farthest wins. Entry is \$10 for members and \$10 plus green fees for non-members. Call Ext. 7932.

Fall Soccer Registration

Registration is from July 15 to September 6. Cost is \$25 for members and \$35 for nonmembers. Must have a physical on file or turn in physical at time of registration. Call Ext. 2504.

Youth Bowling

July’s Youth Bowling Special: The Bowling Center offers this special Monday thru Friday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. for ages 5-18. Youth can receive one game of bowling, shoe rental, hot dog, bag of chips and a small soda for \$3.75. They will be able to purchase additional games for \$1 per game. Note: An adult must accompany children under 12. Call Ext. 2426.

Cosmic No-Tap Tournament

The Cosmic No-Tap Tournament is July 19. Deadline to sign up is 6:45 p.m. the day of the event. Games begin at 7 p.m. Cost is \$7.50 per person.

This tournament follows the regular no-tap format with the following changes:

Everyone receives a playing card which entitles the holder to prize opportunities. Throughout the night, cards are drawn. When a card is drawn the holder spins a wheel to see what he or she could win if he or she does the following:

First the holder will roll a set of dice to see how many pins must be knocked down, then roll a die to see how many balls can be used to knock down that exact number of

pins. Some of the prizes available are a DVD player, a Palm Pilot or a Game Boy. Call Ext. 2426.

British Open Pick Tournament

The British Open Pick Tournament is July 20 to 21 — Pick a partner on the British Open Tournament. Your tour player’s score and your score plus your handicap gives you a team score. Low net for the two days wins. Entry is \$10 for members and \$10 plus green fees for nonmembers. Tour player must be selected by 8 a.m. July 20. Call Ext. 7932.

Golf standings			
The following are the intramural golf standings as of Wednesday. Call the Whispering Pines Golf Course at Ext. 7932.			
Team	Wins	Losses	Ties
14th SVS 1	11	1	0
DynCorp	10	2	0
14th LS	9	2	1
14th SFS	8	4	0
14th CES 1	7	3	2
14th CES 2	8	4	0
14th MDG	6	6	0
14th COMM	5	6	1
14th MSS	5	7	0
14th OSS	3	5	3
DynCorp 2	3	8	1
14th SVS 2	3	9	0

Softball standings		
The following are the intramural softball standings as of Wednesday. Call the fitness and sports center at Ext. 2772.		
Team	Wins	Losses
48th FTS	10	0
14th CES 1	11	1
14th MSS	9	3
14th OSS 1	8	3
14th SFS 1	9	4
50th FTS	5	4
DynCorp	6	5
37th/41st FTS	3	7
14th MDG	2	8
14th CES 2	2	13
14th SFS 2	2	13
14th OSS 2	1	7